

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace paragraph [0035] with the following amended paragraph:

-- [0035] In **FIG. 2**, Program manager A and Program manager B create separate programs with several tasks (steps 200, 202). Program manager A determines task A3 cannot begin until completion of task B4 (step 204). Program manager A establishes a cross-program dependency between task A3 and task B4 (step 206). As task B4 slips past its due date (step 208), Program manager A automatically receives an e-mail alert (step 210), and Program manager A can choose to reschedule or add resources (steps 212, 214, 216). Program manager A elects to reschedule task A3 (step 214). --